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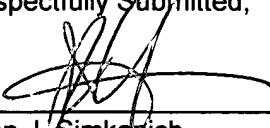
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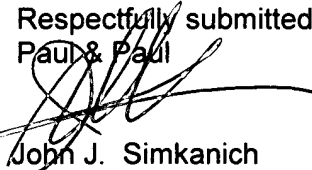
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The Examiner's stated reasons for allowance have been reviewed and acknowledged.

The Examiner's reasons allowance only address the allowed momentum lockout hinge mechanism claims 1-6, but do not address the allowed method claims 7-10, nor do they address the allowed hinge mechanism claims 11-20.

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